

Ordinance 05-26

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD AMENDING THE "WATER SERVICE RULES AND REGULATIONS" OF THE WESTFIELD DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, the Town of Westfield, Indiana (the "Town") is governed by the Town Council (the "Council"); and

WHEREAS, the Town owns and operates a water utility through its Department of Public Works (the "Department"); and

WHEREAS, the Council adopted Water Service Rules and Regulations pursuant to Ordinance 03-21 on October 13, 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Council has the authority to amend ordinances and to establish rates and charges for water utility service;

WHEREAS, the Town has examined the rates and charges set forth on Exhibit "A1" ("Exhibit A1") of the Water Service Rules and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the Town's examination, the Town has determined that certain of the Town's rates and charges should be re-named and further clarified to promote customer understanding and customer service; and

WHEREAS, the Council desires to amend Exhibit A1 consistent with the determinations of the Town's examination; and

WHEREAS, Attachment 1 to this Ordinance identifies the changes to Exhibit A1 contemplated hereby; and

WHEREAS, the Town has given proper notice of the changes outlined in Attachment 1;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Town Council of the Town of Westfield, meeting in regular session, that:

Section 1. Exhibit A1 of Ordinance 03-21 is hereby amended by the deletion of the language that is stricken through and by the addition of the language that is double underlined on Attachment 1 hereto.

Section 2. The actions of the Town and Department staff working under the provisions of this Ordinance are to be deemed in accordance with Town policy.

Section 3. Any current Town or Department policy in effect contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed void. Any portion of this Ordinance that may later be deemed invalid shall not affect the remaining provisions.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption and proper publication in accordance with Indiana law. All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby ordered repealed.

ALL OF WHICH IS ORDAINED this 12 day of Sept, 2005.

WESTFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

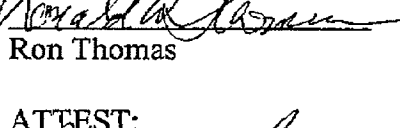
Voting For


Teresa Otis Skelton


Jack Hart


David Mikesell


Bob Smith


Ron Thomas

Voting Against

Teresa Otis Skelton

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David Mikesell

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Abstain

Teresa Otis Skelton


Jack Hart

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Bob Smith

Ron Thomas

ATTEST:


Clerk-Treasurer, Cindy Gossard

This ordinance prepared by
Jerry Rosenberger, Town Manager

Exhibit "A1"
Town of Westfield
Water Service Rates and Charges

Section B. Existing Areas Serviced by Westfield. For those areas served by Westfield prior to the acquisition by Westfield of the operations of HWU, which areas are identified on the attached service area map, the rates and charges will be as follows:

Section B.1 Metered Rates

Monthly Minimum Charge 5/8", 3/4", and 1":	(2000 gallons) \$8.76
<u>Monthly Usage</u>	<u>Per 1,000 Gallons</u>
First 3,000 gallons	\$4.38
Next 2,000 gallons	\$3.39
Next 20,000 <u>gallons</u>	\$2.85
All over 25,000 gallons	\$2.47

Section B.2 Hydrant Rentals Service Fees

Private Hydrant Rental <u>Service Fee</u> per year	\$790.32
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Section B.3 Sprinkler Systems-Annual Rental Service Fee

<u>Meter Size (inches)</u>	<u>Annual Rental Service Fee</u>
2 inches	\$157.59
3 inches	\$316.37
4 inches	\$473.96
6 inches	\$790.32
8 inches	\$1,423.04
10 inches	\$2,835.59

Exhibit "A1" Continued

Section B.4 Areas Previously Served by HWU. For those areas served by Westfield after its acquisition of HWU but served by HWU prior to such acquisition, which areas are identified on the attached service area map, the rates and charges shall be as follows:

Section B.4.1 Metered Rates

Residential Monthly Minimum Charge (2,780 gals.)	\$7.25
Commercial Monthly Minimum Charge (5,000 gals.)	\$13.05

<u>Monthly Usage</u>	<u>Per 1,000 gallons</u>
First 5,000 gallons	\$2.61
Next 5,000 gallons	\$2.18
Next 15,000 gallons	\$1.74
All over 25,000 gallons	\$1.31

Section B.4.2 Hydrant Rental Service Fees

Monthly Private Hydrant Rental- <u>Service Fee</u> Per Inch of Hydrant Size on Private Property	\$4.35
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Section B.4.3 Sprinkler Systems-Monthly Rental Service Fee

Monthly Charge	\$4.35 per inch
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Section B.5 Services to Other Areas. In addition to the rates, fees, and charges set forth above, all customers located outside of the corporation limits of the Town (but excluding any customer subject to Section B.4) shall be billed an additional monthly charge of \$4.44 to defray the costs of fire protection provided to such areas.

Section B.6 Reconnection Charge

All customers shall be subject to a reconnection charge of to reconnect disconnected service.

Reconnection Charge	\$20.00
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Section B.7 Bad Check or Insufficient Funds Charge

All customers shall be subject to a bad check charge or insufficient ~~Funds~~ funds charge in the amount of for checks returned for insufficient funds

Insufficient Funds Charge	\$20.00
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Exhibit "A1" Continued

Section B.8 Administrative Account Change Fee. ~~A~~ For customers ~~who~~ choosesing to change information on their accounts, these customers shall be assessed a fee for such change. (In ~~lea~~ lieu of Meter Connection Fee or Meter Deposit Fee.)

Administrative Account Change Fee	\$15.00
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Section B.9 Lawn Irrigation Permit. Any customer who chooses to own or operate a lawn irrigation service, must obtain a Lawn Irrigation Permit through the Town Public Works Department.

Lawn Irrigation Permit	\$15.00
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Section B.10 Fire Service Application. Any customer who plans on installing a fire service must complete a Fire Service Application.

New Fire Service Application Fee	\$20.00
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Section B.11 Change in Existing Fire Service. Any customer who plans to modify or change an existing Fire Service must complete a an Application for Existing Fire Service.

Change In Existing Fire Service Fee	\$20.00
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Section B.12 Meter Testing Charge. Any customer who requests a meter test that requires a fee to be paid as established under Rules 11.6 and 11.7 shall pay as follows:

5/8" Meter Test	\$8.00
1" Meter Test	\$16.00
2" Meter Test	\$20.00
Greater than 2"	Actual Cost